

\$35,000 FIRE.

The Star Bakery is now open for business. Give us a call.

Col. John Alexander and Andrew Price are in Elkins this week.

Mr. Mason Williams, of Beard, W. Va. was in Marlinton Thursday.

Mr. Dwight Alexander is up and out from a long and tedious illness.

M. F. Knapp has returned from a visit to his old home in Roane County.

Two tickets are in the field for the town election with some more promised.

Hubert Echols, of the Bank, is again at his post, after some days of illness.

George Ashcraft has moved into his new restaurant building on Main street.

Paris Yeager and Frank Anderson killed a deer on Spice Run Wednesday.

See advertisement of S. F. Myles & Co., in this issue, it will interest you.

W. A. Grove and family will leave for Luray this week to be gone for the winter.

Rev. Guy H. Crook is in the county this week holding services at different points.

The driest winter ever known so far for water for stock and household purposes.

Harry Patterson, of Monterey, Va., visited his sister, Mrs. Willis Baxter, last week.

Mrs. Lemuel Pyles, of Beaver Creek, was in Marlinton Monday seeking medical advice.

Pat Simmons, Tom Camden and Calvin W. Price killed a deer on Beaver Creek Tuesday.

Dr. John Ligon was in his place as President of the Pocahontas Court last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Vaughn of Covington were in Marlinton Monday to look over the new hotel.

James H. Doyle, Esq., of Huntersville, was a business visitor to Marlinton last Tuesday.

Mrs. Marcus Johnson has been quite complaining with incipient la grippe, but is convalescent.

A freight car off the track tied up traffic on the Greenbrier around Droop several hours Tuesday evening.

C. L. Moore of Browns Creek has sold his timber to J. C. Gochenour of York county, Pennsylvania.

A nice line of X'mas Goods, Notions, Toys, Etc., arriving this week at J. C. Louny at Huntersville.

Mr. John Echols, of Lewisburg, visited his brother Hubert last Saturday and remained until Monday.

Jacob Gibson, of Elk, accompanied by his sister-in-law, Miss Eva Kramer, were on our streets Tuesday.

Five below zero Sunday morning and six below Wednesday was the record this week for cold weather.

Fine deer hunting the last two days of the season. John Rider brought two deer into market Monday.

Mrs. J. H. Doyle and sister, Mrs. W. H. Grose, of Huntersville, visited Dr. Susan A. Price's office last week.

The State Bar Association meets at Charleston December 30 and 31. A number of the members of the local bar will attend.

Samuel Rider, from the upper Clover Creek, was in town Tuesday marketing produce and looking after Christmas tricks.

W. L. Kryder, of Orwig and Kryder of Dunmore was called to his former home in Pennsylvania by the serious illness of his mother.

Mr. Atherton, who made some of the earlier drives on the Greenbrier River for the St. Lawrence Company, was in the county last week.

To avoid the afternoon rush in our store the town people would do well to do their X'mas buying in the forenoon or in the evening.

The Pocahontas Bargain House.

The Greenbrier River Lumber Company's Mill a Total Wreck.

The big band mill of the Greenbrier River Lumber Company at Marlinton burned to the ground Friday morning, December 16th, entailing a loss of \$35,000, without a cent of insurance.

The mill was discovered on fire about five o'clock by J. H. Phalen, the mill foreman. E. M. Shyven, living near, had seen the light a half hour before, but supposed it to be a lantern.

The fire started on the second floor of the mill, near the planer, and is supposed to be of incendiary origin, as there had been no fire in that part of the mill the day before.

The mill, which was one of the best equipped in the State, is a total wreck, all the machinery ruined, with the exception of the boilers. It was the first industry of any importance to spring up at Marlinton and gave employment to about fifty men.

By hard fighting Mr. Phalen and a few others kept the fire from the store and yard. About 40,000 feet of dressed and quarter sawed lumber was destroyed, beside an automobile and some tools and machinery belonging to Dwight Alexander.

Hunter Kee will be at the Marlinton Drug Store next week and will be glad to see his friends.

F. H. Kincaid has a fine display of fireworks. You can get any variety you wish.

The land sale was very well attended Monday but there were no bargains to amount to anything on the sheriff's counter that day.

Hillsboro Academy will give its Christmas entertainment on Wednesday night, December 21st. An interesting program has been provided.

Mrs. Sarah E. McClure, of Stoney Creek, was in the Times office this week and subscribed for the Times for her daughter, Mrs. Nancy Lindsay, of Warwar-kee, Ind.

The Rev. S. G. Callison will hold services in the Presbyterian church at Marlinton on Sunday evening, December 18th, at 7:30 o'clock. A good attendance is desired.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Presbyterian church will give an oyster supper at Model Restaurant Friday evening, December 16, 1904, beginning at 5 p. m. Every one is invited.

C. B. Swicker of Dunmore was in town on Monday blowing his horn and hanging around the Clerk's office like he wanted something and was afraid to ask for it.

George Baxter, has so far recovered from his severe injuries as to be seen on our streets last Wednesday and soon expects to resume his duties.

There is a rumor to the effect that the railway company will build a new station building at Marlinton as the present one is proving too small for the amount of business done.

Money can't buy better Rubbers than the "Banigan" brand, they give better satisfaction than any brand of rubbers on the market, we sell them as low and lower than others sell cheaper grade of rubbers. The Pocahontas Bargain House.

Hon. S. B. Hanna attended court. He magnanimously congratulates his competitor and appreciates the fidelity and support given and shown by his political friends and neighbors.

James S. Jack killed a hawk 20 yards off-hand last Saturday morning at his place in Elk which measured five feet from tip to tip and was over five inches across the foot.

Mr. Jacob Moore, near Driscoll, was in town Tuesday on business. Last September Dr. Johnson, of the Mary and General Hospital, performed a surgical operation on one of his hands for cancer, which to all appearances made a very satisfactory recovery.

Col. D. O'Connell has had some work taking at some of his white pine logs from the bed of the creek and has built a dam about a half a mile above the mouth of the creek to hold the logs above until the snow moves out of the river. We had not had a flood in the Greenbrier for about two years.

The happy experts to start on hide about the first of the year. The market reports that leather is advancing in price and the stock of the United States Leather Company has made a sharp advance. The New York American says that John D. Rockefeller is a large holder of the stock.

Wanted—Beef hides and sheep pelts; highest market price paid. Marlinton Meat Market.

THE NEW LIQUOR LAW.

We take this opportunity to call the attention of every one interested to the new law passed at the special session of the legislature held last summer because there seems to be a general impression in this county that this law does not take effect until May 1, 1905. In fact the clerk who compiled the act inserts at head of the act that it does not go into force until May 1, 1905.

On reading of the act it will be seen that on that portion of act which relates to the taking out of licenses goes into effect May 1, 1905, and all those portions which relate to offenses against the revenue laws in effect now become operative ninety days from its passage. See Chapter 3 of Acts of Extra Session.

The law went into force November 9, 1904, and any violation of revenue laws, such as the sale of intoxicants without a state license, is subject to the penalties prescribed by said act, and this will be the case whether the coming session of the legislature repeals the law or not.

The penalty for the sale of intoxicants without a license is raised from a fine to confinement in jail not less than two months nor more than six months, and a second offense is made a felony.

Judge Mason, of Fairmont, one of the ablest circuit judges in the State, in his charge to the grand jury of Marion county, construes the law to mean that the first offense does not have to be under the new law, but may have been committed at any time, no matter how many years ago. He cites as authority for his opinion the case of the Commonwealth vs. Rand, decided in Virginia in 1852, and consequently binding on West Virginia courts. 9 Gratton, 938.

In that case Rand was convicted of a second offense and served the additional time imposed by the law. His first conviction was in 1843, and the law of cumulative punishment was not passed until 1849. Judge Mason instructed the grand jury to bring in felony indictments in all cases where there had been a previous conviction, no matter when or how long since. He also advised as the law was new and not well understood that where the case did not seem to be aggravated not to allege a previous conviction.

A word to the wise is sufficient, and every one interested should read the new law carefully, for the penalties thereunder are very heavy.

Linwood. Mr. Sam Moore, of Edray, was looking after business here this week.

Mr. Grover Wooddell and sister, accompanied by Miss Gracie Barnett, made a flying trip to Case last week.

Mr. Howard Meeks and two sons, Jesse and Kemp, passed through our town last week returning from a hunting tour on the headwaters of the Gauley.

Mr. Amos Wooddell spent several days on the waters of Gauley last week in search of wild game, but was not successful enough to capture any. Mr. Wooddell says that he saw the track of a large panther, and that while climbing a mountain he heard in the interlocked branches of some falling timber a very peculiar sound.

Mr. Wooddell says he had never heard so strange a sound in his life, and not being able to find out what the strange noise was Mr. Wooddell left, and not being able to find his companions till late he never went to see.

Mrs. Minnie Showalter and Mr. Henry Dodrill were the guests of Mr. Floyd Ward last Sunday.

Our school at this place is progressing nicely under the management of Mr. Henry Dodrill, a young teacher from Webster county.

Miss Sallie Hamilton, the belle of our town, is visiting friends near Clover Lick this week.

Messrs. G. C. and G. E. Wooddell are cutting a fine lot of timber on their farm near our town.

Dunmore. Deputy Sheriff Samuel Sheets is on the sick list, also Billy B. Wooddell.

Sheriff E. N. Moore and Auctioneer Swicker was in Marlinton Monday and disposed of the delinquent land.

Auctioneer Swicker will commence an auction sale of about \$3,000 worth of fine jewelry in Marlinton, the 20th. He says if you like your girl you will come and buy her a nice Xmas present. Everybody invited to attend.

Mrs. D. B. McElwee and Sam Sterling were visiting friends here last week.

Miss Emma J. McNeel, of Union, Monroe county, is visiting her old friends here.

Mill Point.

As I have not seen anything from this place in your paper for some time I will give you a few items.

We have had a nice fall, but it seems as if winter has now set in. E. S. McClure was home from McClintic's Camp Sunday and Monday.

We are glad to hear that Rube Aldridge has recovered from the wound on his leg and is again able to visit Stamping Creek.

Miss Mabel Milligan spent Saturday and Sunday with her sister at Dr. Wallace's.

Mr. Frank Cochran is attending Mr. Edwin Beard's mill on Locust Creek.

Messrs. Henry Payne, Charlie Ruckman and Vinton Slaven were pleasant callers at Dr. Wallace's Sunday.

Any one having poultry houses to build would do well to call on G. V. Slaven or Hogsett & Eye. They have been doing a bustling business this fall.

The Ruckman School is progressing nicely under the instruction of Lee Ruckman, with about 40 on the roll. Lee is a good teacher.

Fred Ruckman is again at Fredericksburg, Va., continuing his course at college. We are glad to see the young people educating themselves.

Traveller's Repose. We are having a right bad storm, with several inches of snow.

Uriah Bird and party finished quite a large job of surveying for Hoffman Brothers Friday, having been engaged for one month.

J. J. Spencer was at Bartow and Durbin on business Friday.

Miss Goodsell is teaching a subscription school at Durbin, with an enrollment of about 30 scholars.

Mr. Bowman, of Tucker county, W. Va., has been with the Bird surveying party for some time.

Charles Lunsford is setting up furniture and expects to go to housekeeping soon.

George W. Beveridge was in Bartow on business Friday.

Kenton Wilmoth is attending the Top Alleghany School.

Newton Spover and John Kramer, of Highland county, were in this section Friday.

Wallace Harper made a flying trip to Durbin this week.

Miss Maude Venosdale is now clerking in Wilmoth & Kerr's store in Durbin.

William Barkley is working for J. J. Spencer.

George Cresswell was looking after his interests up the river Sunday evening.

The Quarterly Meeting at Durbin last Sunday was largely attended.

Rev. Lowance preached an interesting sermon at Traveller's Repose church Sunday night.

There was a runaway Sunday when Joe Steele and Roy Wagener went to cross the bridge at Traveller's Repose. The sleigh upset and the horse ran away. He ran to James Wiley's barn, a distance of one mile, where he was caught. Fortunately no one was hurt.

CONTENTMENT THE SECRET OF HAPPINESS.

Comfort Leads to Contentment. The Marlinton Furniture Company is the medium through which you can secure the comfort by supplying your needs in high grade Furniture and House Furnishings, and Xmas time, the time of good cheer, is a good time for you to get the things you have thought of and talked about so long.

Their stock is larger now than ever before, with prices extremely low, and they cordially invite you to come and see. Take time and have a good look and get just what you want.

Be sure and see their line of Rugs. They are selling them at greatly reduced prices.

The Signing of Bonds. By persons not making a business of it is dangerous. Why should any one sign a bond, as a mere matter of accommodation, which some time, may be ten or twenty years after, will turn up as a liability to ruin the signer?

When you sign a bond you bind yourself—your heirs, executors and administrators—you bind your estate. It makes no difference what kind of a bond it is, the liability is just the same.

Worse Than Endorsing Notes. When you endorse a note you know when it will mature. When you sign a bond you never know when it will mature. It is liable to come up years after. Most bonds cover mistakes, errors of judgment, carelessness or mistakes of law. Honesty is not the only thing they bind the signer for. Did you ever think of that? You have confidence in your friend's honesty, but how about his mistakes?

The Cash Bargain House

Your money will do big work here. I am hard up and am compelled to raise money to pay up my creditors this month, in order to do so I will sell you goods cheaper than ever for cash.

- WINTER WEIGHT COATS. Womens coats, 25 inches long, black and blue, collarless style, felled back, \$ 3.98. Misses long coats, made of zibeline cloth, in brown, blue, green and red, worth \$3.50, only 2.48. \$5 Buys a man's good warm overcoat, either medium or extra long. No person should buy clothing without first looking over my great line of men's and boy's garments.

- USEFUL GIFTS. Men's fine silk suspenders, sterling silver buckles, worth \$1 75. Handsome silk mufflers, silk handkerchiefs, plain and figured, 25-1.50. Women's Swiss Embroidery and linen lace trimmed handkerchiefs, 6-50. CHILDREN'S GIFTS. Nice desks, .95. Black boards with drawings on one side and writing on the other side, .95. Mechanical toys, 10. Mechanical automobiles, 25-50. Express wagons, fire engines, wheel barrows, crocheting sets. Sewing sets, 10-50. Womens and childrens furs and sets for gifts, scarfs and black hare and mink, extra full length, finished with tails, worth \$4.50, \$2.98. Children's sets, 98 cents to 2.00.

RUBBER GOODS.

Paul Golden, Proprietor.

Lands Sold for Taxes.

List of Real Estate sold in the County of Pocahontas in the month of December 1904 for the non payment of the taxes thereon for the year 1904 and purchased by individuals:

Table with columns: Names of persons charged with taxes, Local description, Quantity of land charged, Quantity of land sold, Name of purchaser. Includes EDRAV DISTRICT, GREENBANK DISTRICT, and HUNTERSVILLE DISTRICT.

The owner of any of the above real estate described and sold, his heirs or assigns or any person having the right to charge such real estate for a debt may redeem the same by paying to the purchaser his heirs or assigns, within one year from the sale thereof, the amount specified in the last column of the above table, and such additional taxes as may have been paid by the purchaser, his heirs or assigns with interest on said purchase money and taxes at the rate of twelve per centum per annum, from the time the same may have been so paid.

Given under my hand this 12th day of December 1904. E. N. MOORE, Sheriff.

OYSTER SUPPER, FRIDAY DEC. 16, 1904.

Order of Publication. State of West Virginia. At rules held in the Clerk's office of the Circuit Court of Pocahontas County on the first Monday in December, 1904. Pocahontas Tanning Company, vs. Andrew J. Colaw, Daniel Colaw, George W. Colaw, Susan E. Mullenax, Martha Frances Simmons, Mary Catherine Ryder, Sarah Vandevender, Grace J. White, Margaret Vandevender, Arbelin Fleisher, Parthenia Simmons and the Pocahontas Timber Company. In Chancery. The object of this suit is to partition between the plaintiff and the defendants, as their interests may appear, 511 acres of land, situated on the East prong of the Greenbrier River in Greenbank District, Pocahontas County, West Virginia, and being the same tract of land conveyed by Jacob H. Arbogast, Commissioner, to William J. Sponaugle on the 8th day of January, 1877, of record in Deed Book No. 12, page 354 of the records in the County Court Clerk's office of said county, to which deed reference is now here had for a more particular description of said land, the title to the same being vested in the plaintiff and the defendants by deeds duly of record in said Clerk's office. And it appearing by an affidavit filed in this cause that the defendants Andrew J. Colaw, Daniel Colaw, George W. Colaw, Susan E. Mullenax, Martha Frances Simmons, Mary Catherine Ryder, Sarah Vandevender, Grace J. White, Margaret Vandevender, Arbelin Fleisher and Parthenia Simmons are not residents of the State of West Virginia: It is therefore ordered that they do appear here within one month after the date of the first publication hereof and do what is necessary to protect their interests in this suit. And it is further ordered that this order be published and posted as required by law. Teste: J. H. Patterson, Clerk. Talbot & Hoover, Plaintiff's Attorney. Notice. All persons indebted to me will please call at Pingley Brothers' store at Durbin, W. Va., as my books are there, and settle your accounts, for on the first day of January, 1905, I shall put my accounts out for collection. Respectfully, R. B. KENZ.